## INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION APPROVAL ORDER

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held September 21, 2023

George D. Bedwick, Chairman John F. Mizner, Esq., Vice Chairman John J. Soroko, Esq. Murray Ufberg, Esq. Dennis A. Watson, Esq.

Regulation No. 14-545 (#3275) Department of Human Services Subsidized Child Care Eligibility

On October 22, 2020, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Human Services (Department). This rulemaking deletes 55 Pa. Code Chapter 3041 and adopts 55 Pa. Code Chapter 3042. The proposed regulation was published in the November 14, 2020 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a public comment period ending on December 14, 2020. At its May 18, 2023 public meeting, the Commission voted to disapprove the final-form regulation. On July 27, 2023, the Department submitted its report containing the revised final-form regulation to the Commission.

This final-form rulemaking is a comprehensive revision and reorganization of the regulations utilized by the Department to administer the subsidized child care program. The purpose of the final-form regulation is to ensure alignment with the Federal Child Care and Development Block Grant of 2014 in order to continue receiving federal funding. 42 U.S.C.A. §§ 9857 – 9858r.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (62 P.S. §§ 201(2), 403(b) and 403.1) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

## **BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:**

This regulation is approved.



Bedwick, Chairman